

REMARKS

Applicants have amended claims 9, 17-18, and 20-23 to correct minor errors. Applicants request the Examiner to enter these amendments as they do not alter the scope of the claims.

The Examiner are amending the Specification. Applicants are submitting a new Title. Also, Applicants are also amending the Specification to include language incorporated by reference in a parent application having U.S. Application No. 09/626,673.

It is to be noted that this patent application includes in the Specification, on page 1, the following:

This patent application claims priority from the commonly assigned Canadian Patent Application entitled "Dropped Database Table Recovery", having Canadian Patent Application Serial No. 2,279,028, filed on July 29, 1999 by Effi Offer, Roger Luo Q. Zheng, Matthew A. Huras, Michael J. Winer, and Dale M. McInnis and is a continuation of and claims the benefit of a U.S. Patent Application entitled "Dropped Database Table Recovery," having U.S. Application No. 09/626,673, filed on July 27, 2000 by Effi Offer, Roger Luo Q. Zheng, Matthew A. Huras, Michael J. Winer, and Dale M. McInnis, each of which applications are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety. (Emphasis added.)

According to 35 U.S.C. § 1.57 on incorporation by reference:

(a) Subject to the conditions and requirements of this paragraph, if all or a portion of the specification or drawing(s) is inadvertently omitted from an application, but the application contains a claim under § 1.55 for priority of a prior-filed foreign application, or a claim under § 1.78 for the benefit of a prior-filed provisional, nonprovisional, or international application, that was present on the filing date of the application, and the inadvertently omitted portion of the specification or drawing(s) is completely contained in the prior-filed application, the claim under § 1.55 or § 1.78 shall also be considered an incorporation by reference of the prior-filed application as to the inadvertently omitted portion of the specification or drawing(s).

Applicants respectfully submit that they have made a proper claim for priority to U.S. Application No. 09/626,673 and that they have properly incorporated the U.S. Application No. 09/626,673 by reference. Therefore, Applicants are amending the Specification to include a portion of the specification U.S. Application No. 09/626,673 that was inadvertently left out. The portion of the specification U.S. Application No. 09/626,673 can be found in the U.S. Application No. 09/626,673 on page 4, lines 4-8.

In the statement of reasons for allowance the Examiner provided various reasons for allowance. Applicants will not specifically address or respond herein to the issues/points raised by the Examiner in the Examiner's provided remarks. However, this should not necessarily be viewed as constituting acquiescence by Applicants as to the correctness of some or all of the Examiner's provided remarks.

Moreover, Applicants note that the claims are directed to various combinations of features. It is respectfully submitted that the patentability of each of the allowed and allowable claims resides in every feature of the recited combination of features of the claims in addition to any features noted by the Examiner.

Applicants submit that no new claims or new matter has been added to the application. Nonetheless, should any additional fees be required, please charge Deposit Account No. 09-0460.

The attorney of record invites the Examiner to contact her at (310) 553-7973 if the Examiner believes such contact would advance the prosecution of the case.

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